Cost Study of Ampicillin Trihydrate

2850. SHRI DHULESHWAR MEENA:
SHRI H. HANUMANTHAPPA:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question No. 344 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 7th May, 1990 and state:

(a) when was the BICP asked to conduct cost study of Ampicillin Trihydrate;

(b) names of the units whose production was studied;

(c) whether it is a fact that three months time has Passed;

(d) if so, when was the recommendations on bulk drug and formulations received;

(e) what are the reasons for delay in fixation of reduced prices;

(f) whether it is a fact that public is being robbed every year by over Rupees Forty crores; and

(g) what immediate steps have been taken to fix prices of formulations?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY): (a) BICP is required to send recommendations on the fair prices of all scheduled drugs included under DPCO, 1987 promulgated w.e.f. 26th August, 1987. They have been reminded from time to time.

(b) and (c) Cost study of the individual units is yet to be taken up by the BICP as the units have not made available the cost data. Last reminder to the units has been sent by the BICP on 22nd August, 1990.

(d) Recommendations on the fair prices of Ampicillin drug are yet to be received.

(e) The main reasons for not finalising the study is the non-cooperation of the units in making available the requisite data.

(f) and (g) If the units fail to respond, steps would be taken to fix the price of bulk drug and formulation on a *suo-moto* basis on the basis of whatever data is available with the Government.

Reimbursement from DPEA to IDPL and HAL

2851. SHRI DHULESHWAR MEENA:
SHRI H. HANUMANTHAPPA:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 340 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 7th May, 1990 and state:

(a) what is the amount reimbursed from DPEA to IDPL and HAL from DPEA during 1986-87 to 1988-89 in respect of each bulk drug and intermediate:

(b) what are the names of officers of his Ministry who accompanies with Managing Directors of each company to trips abroad during the last three years and what was the purpose of each trip:

(c) whether it is a fact that his Ministry has come accross certain instances which has established linkage between tours and reimbursement;

(d) if so, what are the details of such instances; and

(e) what is the present position of assessment of liabilities against each company and by when final liabilities would be communicated to them?